

## CONCLUSION

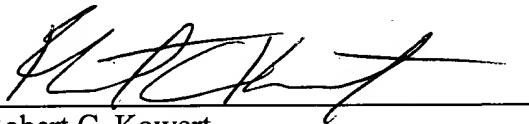
Applicants submit the application is in condition for allowance, and prompt notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If any extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above-referenced application from becoming abandoned, Applicants hereby petition for such an extension. If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-70000/RCK.

Also enclosed herewith are the following items:

- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Notice of Change of Address
- ☒ Terminal Disclaimer

Respectfully submitted,



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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-68 remain pending in the application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

### **Double Patenting Rejection:**

The Examiner rejected claims 1-68 under the judiciary created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-104 of U.S. Patent No. 6,917,976 in view of He et al. (U.S. Patent 6,088,451). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. However, in order to expedite prosecution, a terminal disclaimer to obviate the double patenting rejection over claims 1-104 of U.S. Patent No. 6,917,976 is submitted along with this response. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests removal of the double patenting rejection of claims 1-68.